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1. A private police formation known as the Farnatalud Osztaly, headed by one SZILAGYI, is directly controlled by the Executive Committee of the Hungarian Communist Party, with headquarters in Budapest V, Akademia ucca 25, a building which formerly housed the Austrian Legation. SZILAGYI is responsible for the creation of a dependable Communist Party militia and is specially designated to select reliable Communists to fill all openings within the Hungarian police and armed forces.
2. As of 1 October 1948, SZILAGYI exercised direct control over the following three para-military formations:
 - a. The Directory Service of the Communist Party Headquarters, commanded by Istvan TOTI. At present, this unit comprises about 80 armed Communists assigned for guard duty at the various CP offices and also at the apartments of certain CP notables and other areas considered in need of such protection. [redacted] the Directory Service was shortly to increase to a strength of 200; only reliable Communists in good physical condition are accepted for duty. The Directory Service is well supplied with pistols, automatic pistols, rifles, hand grenades, and has three or four machine guns. All guarded areas have telephonic communication with CP Headquarters, and in case of emergency the guards can be reinforced with policemen drawn from the State Defense Department; a pool of such policemen is always on call. The following guard sites are covered:

CP Headquarters, Akademia ucca	26 guards (6 to a shift)
CP Headquarters, Kottvarasag ter	12 guards (4 to a shift)
Apartments of Matyas LACOSI and Josef ARVAI	7 guards (2 to a shift)
Apartment of Mihaly FARSAS	4 guards (1 on duty in the daytime, 2 at night)
Apartment of Janos KALAS	4 guards (1 on duty in the daytime, 2 at night)

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CP School, Budapest XI, probably on
Sudaorai St.

2 guards (1 always on duty)

Summer residence of POSHILAN, Soviet
Ambassador to Hungary, on the
Szabadsaghegy, Baro Motovos at 45

5 guards (2 to a shift)

Courier service from CP Headquarters
to Budapest District CP Headquarters
or to provincial CP offices

16 guards, equipped with
motor bicycles.

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- b. The Freedom Fighters Association (Szabadsagharcos Szovetseg). Although members of this organization are not required to be members of the CP, all the leaders are trusted Communists. In 1948 the State Defense Department delegated a police colonel to serve with the Freedom Fighters Association, his task being to screen all members with a view to training those found dependable and physically fit for partisan warfare. The colonel has stated that he intends to form a "Szabadsagharcos" drawn from members of the Freedom Fighters Association; the organization at present is not armed but participates in target practice and firing maneuvers, apparently as a paramilitary formation.

- c. The "R" Guards (Rend Gard). In 1948 the "R" Guards were organized throughout Hungary by local Party secretaries to maintain order in factories and other installations, make sure that Communist-inspired demonstrations take place according to the prearranged plan, be on hand at Communist meetings, and perform similar duties. The "R" Guards are not armed and are believed to number over ten thousand. All "R" Guards are controlled through the CP machinery by SZALLAGYI.

- d. SZALLAGYI is regularly consulted by L. J. János CSZKO, chief of Section IV/1a (Personnel) of the Ministry of the Interior, on each appointment or transfer within the various police services. CSZKO also maintains direct contact with L. J. Miklós BAKSI of the State Defense Department, Section 14 (Personnel). CSZKO receives his instructions from the Ministry of the Interior and carries them out without notifying or consulting his nominal superior in the Ministry of the Interior.